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By Darlene Brady at 8:14 am, Mar 08, 2021



Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting

March 4, 2021
4:30 P.M.

Present: Jean Speck, Chris Garrity and Ed Matson.

Also, present: Darlene Brady, Bonnie Donzella, Sandy Edelman, Alan Gawel, Sarah Marshall, Rick Osborne, Leah Pullaro, John Russell and Lynn Worthington.

Ms. Speck called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Garrity informed both KVFD and the library representatives of the Board of Selectmen's concept of flat funding both grants at \$100,000.

KVFD:

John Russell and Bonnie Donzella confirmed KVFD is requesting:

1. \$106,500 grant
2. \$104,544 EMS staffing

Mr. Russell stated, at this time, he was unable to confirm how KVFD would address the reduction of \$6,500 in the grant request.

Kent Memorial Library:

Sara Marshall and Sandy Edelman confirmed Kent Memorial Library is requesting:

1. \$125,000 grant

Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Edelman both expressed concern with a reduction to \$100,000. Mrs. Marshall noted that would be \$10,000 less than this year's grant and \$25,000 less than this year's request. Mrs. Marshall stated the request attempts to increase the town's contribution to a higher percentage of the library's budget to be more in-line with all the other municipalities in the state. She noted Kent's contribution to the library is fifth from the bottom in the state.

Mr. Garrity made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m.

Joyce Kearns
Administrative Assistant

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